

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:

STOUT, Robert L. et al

Serial No.: 10/037,772

Filed: November 9, 2001

METHODS OF DETERMINING ACTIVE

LEVELS OF DRUGS IN FLUID SAMPLES

Group Art Unit No. 1651

Examiner: SRIVASTAVA, KAILASH C

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants, through their attorneys, hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) for a threemonth extension of time in which to file a response to office action of April 16, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17, a check in the amount of \$490.00 is enclosed herewith for the three-month fee.

In the event that the foregoing request or fee calculation is incorrect, this Petition should be construed as one for sufficient time to permit timely filing of the present reply. Any additional fee which is due in connection with this Petition should be applied against our Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

Respectfully submitted,

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